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In re application of:

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METHOD FOR QUANTIFYING

ANTIOXIDANT LEVELS IN FOOD

AND MEDICAL SPECIMENS

AMENDMENT

Box No Fee Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 27, 2000 please consider the following remarks:

Art Unit: 1744

Examiner: K. Olsen

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REMARKS:

In the Office Action the Examiner rejected Claims 1-5 under 35 U.S.C. § 101 for being inoperative. The Examiner reasoned the cited references (Alexander and Coetzee) demonstrate that that povidone-iodine complex "is an oxidizing agent for a number of possible constituents which could be present in samples including unsaturated fatty and amino acids."

The Examiner has concluded that the present invention is inoperative because there can be a large number of interfering substances. Further, the Examiner seems to require that Applicant provide data that show the results of a "blank" with all of the constituents minus the antioxidant component. Applicant

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